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1. There is a German prisoner of war camp with about 8,000 inmates at Brzeg (Brieg, P51/H89) which is said to be under the direction of Karlshorst. A Colonel Yeschik, said to be from Karlshorst, is Soviet head of the camp, and a former general is German commander. The PW's, who wear their old uniforms, have a daily training program and receive instruction on the Soviet Tommy gun and the Stalin Orgeln. In general, health conditions are good. No prisoners are being released.
 2. PW camps at Loewenberg (052/B40), Herrnsdorf (P52/C16), and Altwasser (052/B86 or 052/B08) are also under the supervision of Colonel Yeschik. The Herrnsdorf camp contains ex-Luftwaffe men only. Rumor has it that an airfield is to be built here and that the PW's are to receive air training in Soviet aircraft.

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